

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph after the title and before the paragraph starting on page 1:

THIS APPLICATION IS A U.S. NATIONAL PHASE APPLICATION OF PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PCT/JP2003/007255.

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 2, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The present invention relates to an information processing system including an electronic apparatus, a server, an external apparatus, and these apparatuses composing them it. The electronic apparatus is equipped with an operation information acquirer (acquirer) for acquiring operation information with which the electronic apparatus operates, from the server; and an operation controller for directing an operation of the electronic apparatus according to the operation information acquired by the acquirer. The external apparatus is equipped with an external information storage (a first storage) for storing an external apparatus identifier for identifying the external apparatus; a setting information acceptor (a first acceptor) for receiving input of an electronic apparatus identifier for identifying the electronic apparatus, and the operation information; and an operation setting information transmitter (a first transmitter) for transmitting to the server, the external apparatus identifier, the electronic apparatus identifier, and the operation information. The server is equipped with an operation information control table storage (a second storage) for storing an operation information control table including one or more operation information control records including an external apparatus identifier, an electronic apparatus identifier, and an operation information; an operation setting information receiver (a first receiver) for receiving from the external apparatus, the external apparatus identifier, the electronic apparatus identifier, and the operation information; and an operation information updating part (a first updating part) for updating the operation information control table according to the external apparatus identifier, the electronic apparatus identifier, and the operation information received by the first receiver.

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 21, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the above-mentioned condition, operation setting information shown in Figs. 9A through C is input from external apparatus 14, which is a mobile phone, and is transmitted to server 13. First, external apparatus 14 accesses server 13 to notify of transmitting operation setting information. In this case, the information including the phone number of external apparatus 14: "090-1111-2222" is transmitted from external apparatus 14 to server 13. Next, server 13 receives information including "090-1111-2222," and acquires all information with names corresponding to the external apparatus identifier "090-1111-2222" from the table in Fig. 8. Then, server 13 transmits the information with the names acquired to external apparatus 14. Next, external apparatus 14 receives the information with the names transmitted from server 13, to display a menu. An example of this menu is shown in Fig. 9A. The information for button "End" composing the menu in Fig. 9A may be transmitted from server 13, or may be preliminarily retained by external apparatus 14. Next, the user of external apparatus 14 selects, for example, the menu entry "(2) my son's STB" from the menu in Fig. 9A. Next, external apparatus 14 displays a screen (panel) linked to the menu entry "(2) my son's STB" as shown in Fig. 9B. The information for composing the menu in Fig. 9B may be

transmitted from server 13, or may be preliminarily retained by external apparatus 14. Next, the user of external apparatus 14, viewing the screen shown in Fig. 9B, inputs operation information as shown in Fig. 9C. Fig. 9C shows that the user of external apparatus 14 has checked the box "power ON," and thus the operation information includes information for "power ON." Fig. 9C further shows that the user of external apparatus 14 has checked the box "video recording," and thus the operation information includes information for "video recording." Fig. 9C still further shows that the user of external apparatus 14 has input channel "18", start time "10:00", stop time "12:00," and thus the operation information includes information for ch. 18, 10:00-12:00." That is to say, the operation information having been input in Fig. 9C is information for "power ON, video recording ch. 18, 10:00-12:00."

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 28, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Output part 14405 outputs the status information received by receiver 14404. This output usually refers to display to a display device; however, it includes a voice output, printing by a printer, vibration by a ~~vibration vibrator~~ or the like. In addition, output may be transmitting of the status information to an external display device or the like. Output part 14405, for example, is composed of a display device and its driver software if the output is display on the display device.

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 34, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Next, server 143 receives the status information: "power ON, tape loaded, video recording ch. 24, 19:00-20:00", ID: "1", and global IP address "131.181.0.1". Then, server 143 judges whether or not electronic apparatus 141 is a correct device, by the global IP address and ID received. Here, the global IP address "131.181.0.1" received exists as shown in Fig. 19, and ID "1" also exists corresponding to the global IP address "131.181.0.1". Therefore, server 143 judges electronic apparatus 141 transmitted status information and the like as a correct electronic apparatus.

Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 34, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Here, the phone number of the external apparatus 144 that is a mobile phone is "090-7777-3333." Therefore, status acquisition command including the external apparatus of the phone number "090-7777-3333" is transmitted from external apparatus 144 to server 143. Next, server 143 judges whether or not the phone number "090-7777-3333" is a correct (i.e. registered) external apparatus by the status information control table and others, and judges to be correct. Next, server 143 transmits to external apparatus 144, the electronic apparatus status information including the status information corresponding to the phone number: "power ON, tape loaded, video recording ch. 24, 19:00-20:00" and the ID: "1". Then, external apparatus 144 receives the status information including the status information, "power ON, tape loaded, video recording ch. 24, 19:00-20:00", and the ID: "1", then outputs it. Fig. 21 shows an output example for status information in external apparatus 144.